

Virginia Alcohol-Related Motor Vehicle Statistics (Calendar Years 1978-2003)

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Calendar Year	Alcohol-Related							
	Total Crashes	% of Total	Fatalities	% of Total	Injuries	% of Total	DUI Convictions	BAC Average
1978	22,376	16.5%	402	37.2%	14,831	24.1%	9,110	0.1730
1979	23,008	17.9%	375	37.0%	15,562	26.2%	9,924	0.1719
1980	22,131	19.0%	374	35.8%	15,540	26.8%	10,686	0.1725
1981	23,072	19.6%	393	38.8%	16,457	27.5%	11,724	0.1651
1982	21,157	18.8%	330	37.5%	15,836	26.5%	24,089	0.1749
1983	19,694	17.3%	336	37.3%	15,131	23.9%	40,507	0.1705
1984	19,371	15.7%	359	35.4%	15,125	21.8%	38,462	0.1709
1985	19,381	14.5%	479	48.9%	14,880	20.0%	37,167	0.1685
1986	19,944	14.2%	492	44.0%	15,838	20.0%	38,251	0.1684
1987	18,878	13.0%	418	40.9%	15,014	18.7%	40,170	0.1641
1988	18,084	12.5%	522	48.8%	14,172	18.2%	38,760	0.1633
1989	17,051	11.9%	480	48.0%	13,341	16.8%	40,553	0.1620
1990	17,337	12.9%	535	50.0%	14,070	18.4%	42,274	0.1607
1991	14,894	12.2%	429	45.7%	12,187	17.2%	38,422	0.1599
1992	13,830	11.3%	379	45.2%	11,493	15.0%	32,840	0.1597
1993	12,854	10.7%	397	45.4%	10,812	13.9%	29,513	0.1613
1994	11,997	9.5%	376	40.6%	10,258	12.5%	28,788	0.1539
1995	11,400	9.0%	360	40.0%	9,381	11.4%	27,553	0.1384
1996	11,220	8.6%	346	39.8%	9,083	11.0%	27,921	0.1425
1997	11,340	8.7%	302	30.8%	9,124	11.1%	26,922	0.1398
1998	11,027	8.1%	336	36.0%	8,555	10.5%	26,657	0.1373
1999	10,942	7.8%	364	41.5%	8,359	10.3%	28,553	0.1354
2000	11,085	7.8%	355	38.2%	8,251	10.3%	27,424	0.1369
2001	11,265	7.8%	358	38.3%	8,211	10.2%	28,044	0.1376
2002	11,788	8.0%	375	41.1%	8,465	10.7%	27,322	0.1382
2003	11,388	7.4%	361	38.3%	7,819	9.9%	27,046	0.1367

Note: Before July 1, 1982, those people who were found guilty of drinking and driving, and completed the VASAP programs successfully, could have their DUI charge reduce to one of the following:

1. Reckless Driving
2. Improper Driving
3. Dismissed
4. Other type of charges

However, Legislation passed by the Virginia General Assembly, effective July 1, 1982, changed the law concerning DUI charges. Those people found guilty and convicted of DUI could not have their charges reduced -- regardless of whether they were referred or not referred to VASAP, it remained on their records. Therefore, this is the reason for the increase in DUI convictions after July 1, 1982.

Sources: Alcohol-Related Crashes - Virginia Traffic Crash Facts
BAC - Virginia Division of Forensic Science

DUI convictions (1978-1984) - VASAP Annual Report
DUI convictions (1985-2003) - DMV Conviction File